

Santa Fe Hotshots

OUTREACH NOTICE

Santa Fe Nat. Forest Attn: Santa Fe IHC 11 Forest Lane Santa Fe, NM 87508



Forestry Technician (Hotshot/Handcrew) IHC Senior Firefighter GS-0462-04/05 Sente Fo. NM

Santa Fe, NM

The *Santa Fe Hotshots* may soon be filling up to (3) permanent seasonal employment positions, and are conducting this outreach in conjunction with the Southwestern Region to assess applicant interest. The full Fire Hire Outreach Notice can be viewed from the USDA Forest Service, Southwestern Region (Region 3) website, located at:

http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/r3/jobs

Selected applicants will work for the Santa Fe National Forest Supervisor's Office, and serve as Senior Firefighters on the Santa Fe Interagency Hotshots. Interested candidates will need to apply to the following Open Continuous Recruitment (OCR) Job Announcement Number through the USAJOBS website, by no later than 11:59 pm EST on Sunday, December 14th, 2014 to be considered for a position.

15-FIREOCR-462IHCHCRW-45G & DP (Forestry Technician)

http://www.usajobs.gov

About the Positions:

The primary function of the position is as an experienced crew member for wildland fire suppression/management, serving as an assistant Squad Leader and secondary crew carrier driver. Other duties involve the operation and maintenance of fire related tools and equipment, prescribed burning, and hazardous fuel treatment projects. These are permanent positions with a minimum of (6) months/(13) pay periods of full-time work.

The duty station for these positions is located in Santa Fe, New Mexico, but extensive travel will be required to various work locations throughout the United States. The fire season schedule will require irregular and protracted hours, and include weekend work.

About the Santa Fe National Forest:

The Santa Fe National Forest encompasses 1,580,969 acres and provides services, forest products, and recreational opportunities for local communities and visitors. The Sangre de Cristo Mountains at the southern end of the Rockies form the backdrop for the Pecos Wilderness, the City of Santa Fe, and numerous other communities and American Indian pueblos along the Rio Grande. Several of these pueblos can trace their ancestry to heritage sites located within the Santa Fe NF.

Across the Rio Grande to the west lie the Jemez Mountains, a volcanic range dominated by Chicoma Peak to the east and by the scenic Valles Caldera preserve to the west. Located in these mountains are numerous private inholdings and the Los Alamos National Laboratory nuclear research facilities. Bandelier National Monument is a well-known and popular place to visit a series of preserved cliff dwellings.

The Santa Fe National Forest is divided into fire district management areas, with offices in Coyote, Cuba, Espanola, Jemez Springs, Pecos, and Las Vegas.

About the City of Santa Fe:

Santa Fe is the state capital of New Mexico, located at 7000 ft. elevation in the Rio Grande Valley between the Jemez and Sangre de Cristo Mountains. The City's population is approximately 70,000. Santa Fe is located 50 miles north of Albuquerque, the State's largest metropolitan area, which has become known internationally for its Balloon Fiesta every fall that hosts over 800 hot air balloons. Santa Fe averages 300 days of sunshine a year with mild days and cool nights. Winters are relatively short, with snow accumulations primarily in the surrounding mountains. The average annual rainfall is 14 inches, and annual snowfall is 23 inches.

The cultural influence, art, and architecture from the Native American pueblos and Spanish American villages of northern New Mexico are unique to this part of the nation. Santa Fe has a world-class art community, and is home to numerious galleries and museums. The Santa Fe Ski Area is only a 30 minute drive from downtown, and there are 4 other ski areas within a few hours of the city. The cost of living in Santa Fe is about 4.5% above the national average. The median price for a home in 2013 was \$232,600, and the average apartment rental is about \$800/month. No Government housing is available for employees.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE POSITION, OR THE APPLICATION PROCESS, PLEASE CONTACT:

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